

## A Recent Rare Imperf. Find

### Brazil Honors Abolition Leader

Brazil on October 9 honored a man who was considered quite a patriot. He is Jose Carlos do Patricino, born in the town of Campos in the State of Rio, on October 9, 1853. The commemorative marks the centenary of his birth.



In a dark green color, the design shows Patricino reaching the top of a hill with the Angel of Liberty guiding him with a lighted torch. The denomination is 60c.

He was one of the outstanding and principal leaders in the abolition of slavery movement. Himself a mulatto, his sympathies with the struggle were easily understood, and he gave them the full benefit of his many talents.

Patricino was a journalist, writer and above all, an eloquent orator. It was this latter gift which he used extensively both for abolition and for the establishment of the republican form of government. In fact, he was nicknamed "O Tigre do Abolicao" (Tiger of Abolition) by friends and enemies alike.

According to Manoel F. da Mota, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, his death occurred on January 29, 1905. He is survived by a number of important works of literature which have been translated into several other languages.

### Added Values In Danish Series

Additional stamps will be released November 13 in the "Denmark's 1000 Years" series in the same size and format of the first of some weeks ago picturing a Rune Stone.

A 15 ore violet will reproduce a design showing a Viking's camp at Trelleborg, Primus Nielsen conceived it while Bent Jacobsen did the engraving.

A 20 ore brown will show the imposing church of Kalundborg, the design by Viggo Bang and the engraving again by Jacobsen.

First day covers will be handled by the Postvaesenets Salgskonfor for Frimaerkesamlere, Bernstorffsgade 32, Copenhagen V, Denmark at the face value of the stamps. Addressed envelopes and the proper payment must be in the hands of this philatelic agency by November 7. The stamps can also be purchased at face plus return postage.

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### Record Number Of Dealers In 1953 A. S. D. A. National Postage Stamp Show

Dealer-participation in this year's National Postage Stamp Show will be greater than at any of the four previous yearly exhibitions of this kind sponsored by the American Stamp Dealers' Association, Inc. Peter G. Keller, General Manager of the Show, is not surprised to be able to state that there will be no booth-vacancies at the 1953 affair—to be held, as were its predecessors, in New York City's 71st Infantry Regiment Armory at Park Avenue and 34th Street.

In advance—111 booths and lounges were announced as being available. In fact—that precise number of booths and lounges has been sold to dealers, associations and philatelic magazines. The spaces were auctioned by Gregory Mozian on Oct. 2. Demand exceeded supply, and the bidding for location was brisk.

Some of the booth holders are herewith listed:  
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### Four Cent National Park Issue Discovered Imperf Horizontally, Rarity

After being laid away unannounced for nearly twenty years, a block of 30 of the 4c perforated Parks issue has come to light imperf horizontally.

This announcement comes from Warren W. Scholl and Lee Chadwick, operators of Mint Sheet Brokerage, Rossmoyne, Ohio, through the facilities of which the "find" will be offered for sale at a later date.

While the 1c and 2c perforated Parks issue are listed and priced in the Scott U. S. Specialized catalogue, and the 7c listed but not priced therein, it is assumed that the 4c never before has come to light with this error.

The block of thirty consists of the first three vertical rows of the sheet including the top plate number. The whereabouts of the other two rows, or 20 stamps, are unknown to the present holder. It is possible that the bottom two pairs of the block of 20 are not imperf between.

This is because there are four clear full perforations in the lower right pair of the block of 30, and evidence that it was at that point the sheet tore while on the perforating machine causing the rest

the sheet.

Messrs. Scholl and Chadwick state that no immediate plans have been made for offering it, although when a final decision is reached it will be offered, either in its present form or divided into pairs and blocks exclusively in the Mint Sheet Brokerage publication, the Original Quotation Bulletin.

No price has yet been set on this unique block. However, since the most recent similar find was the \$1.00 Presidential imperf between which sold in the neighborhood of \$750.00 to \$1000 per block, an excellent realization is expected. By comparison, there are only 15 pairs of this item available (with a potential of possibly 10 more should the other piece of 20 come to light,) the item itself is a commemorative, presumably the 19 year old plate long has been destroyed so no more can be produced. These factors would indicate that desirability and interest could run to two to three times of that for the Presidential find.

### FLASH

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield announced today that he has approved a stamp to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Columbia University. This stamp will be first placed on sale at New York, New York, on January 4, 1954.

Further details with regard to the design and color of the stamp will be announced later.

### ANOTHER PURPLE

There is given below designer and engravers of the 3-cent General George S. Patton, Jr., commemorative stamp, which will be released at Fort Knox, Kentucky, on November 11, 1953: Designer: William K. Schrage. Engravers: Vignette and portrait by Matthew D. Fenton. Single outline frame, lettering and numeral by George A. Payne. The color of the stamp will be purple.

of the horizontal perforations to be missed. That the sheet was defective before receiving any perforations, however, is apparent from the fact that a wide strip of gummed tape covers a good portion of the back of the block, including the coverage of this tear. Only the five bottom stamps show damage, however, and the vertical perforations go entirely through the tape, making it a basic part of the sheet.

Other than this tape, the sheet is fully gummed. Seven stamps in the first row, three in the second and two in the third are untouched by the tape. However, no one stamp excepting for a defective at the bottom of the center row is entirely covered by it, the tape having been placed diagonally across

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# Three Day Meet At Robert Treat Hotel; Organization Will Note 19th Anniversary

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The American Philatelic Congress will soon celebrate its nineteenth anniversary at Newark, New Jersey, October 30, 31, and November 1. The event brings back many pleasant memories of how the Congress came to America and of its progress through the many years.

The idea was born on board a steamer bound for the United States on which were Eugene Klein, of Philadelphia, dealer and collector of stamps, and James Waldo Fawcett, stamp editor of the Washington Star. They had seen the English Congress in operation and were impressed by its influence in furthering an understanding of philately and its problems. And so the Congress was born.

Plans were made by a committee composed of Vincent Domanski, Jr., S.S. Fahrer, John T. Fite, George A. Henhoffer, Mrs. Eugene Klein, Eugene L. Pollack, Harry Smuckler and C. B. Turner, who worked wholeheartedly to secure a large attendance and make the affair a success. The secretary, Mr. Fawcett, was instrumental in securing nineteen papers which were read and discussed at the several sessions held during the Christmas holidays.

The rooms were filled with collectors who entered enthusiastically in the discussions following the reading of papers. I remember that Earl Apfelbaum also arranged a skit dealing with a collector in an average home, and that it was well received.

The price of membership in those days was one dollar, later raised to \$1.25 and 500 books were printed and numbered, and in many cases autographed by the president. From year to year meetings were arranged in the fall at New York, Boston, Atlantic City, Washington, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Columbus and Reading.

At the outset the Congress was a rather loosely arranged association among a group of collectors, with a small council, and a president, secretary and treasurer, none of whom received any salary and paid their own expenses.

From year to year the work of the Congress broadened from its original idea of reading and discussion of papers; exhibitions were arranged, dealers were invited to take bourse tables for the sale of stamps, government post offices with special cachets were planned, and in some cases auctions were held.

Throughout the entire history of the Congresses, I believe that the friendships created among collectors from all over the United States, and even from Canada, were our greatest achievement. We have learned the value of fellowship, have had a chance to discuss our mutual problems, and have learned to listen to the opinions of others. Congress has helped to create a new spirit in stamp collecting.

At the outset we endeavored to make our books readable both for the specialist, the general collector and the layman. If you will review our efforts for the past eighteen years you will find in the more than two hundred and fifty articles, written by more than two hundred authors, much material worth keeping.

We have also taken note of the modern and newer phases of collecting — plate numbers, topical covers, etc., and have also given our members a great deal of postal history. The articles on mail carried by river steamers, the postmarks of various states, the early histories of the post offices, postal markings and rates; all have come in for some attention in our eighteen books and our nineteenth book will follow the same general idea.

There have been some outstanding articles on prison camps, and many articles dealing with specific stamps; such as the Stanley Ashbrook article on the Ninety Cent Stamp of 1860, and the Turner Nearing article on the St. Louis Bears. Dr. Carroll Chase has been a frequent contributor and has presented valuable information on early postal marks.

Space does not permit my reviewing some of the other outstanding articles but the books speak for themselves. I think perhaps the orders we get from libraries both in the States and abroad, show the value of our publications as a permanent reference.

## Philatelic Gems In Congress Show

The Exhibition Committee is glad to announce that Philatex 1953, the national stamp exhibition to be held at the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, N. J. in connection with the 19th American Philatelic Congress October 30, 31 and November 1 met with so great a response by collectors invited to exhibit material that it became necessary to increase the planned number of frames by thirty percent to the maximum capacity of the exhibition room, and was then still obliged to return a number of late entries because space (and frames) were not available for their accommodation.

Included in the exhibition will be invert errors of 1869, of the Pan American commemoratives of 1901, and of the 24c air mail (including a block of four); the 1908-9 blue paper varieties in plate number blocks; the Columbian issue in blocks, including a block of twenty-five of the \$1.00 value; a gorgeous collection of the Trans-Mississippi commemoratives; the only known plate number specimen of the \$5.00 Philippine issue of 1903 (special printing); Canal Zone inverts and other errors; proofs and essays of the U. S. 1847 issue and 1875 re-issue; a highly specialized collection of the One Cent 1851-57 issue, including plate reconstructions; Postal History collections including a study of the pioneer Trans Atlantic steamboat mail; Alabama Packet Boat and other postal history material; Ionian Islands postals history; Canadian imperforate and part perforates from the famous Liechtenstein collections; and many other superlative exhibits far too numerous to attempt to list. The show must be seen to be appreciated.

It will be long remembered by its visitor as the "Show of Gems of Philately". It had been planned to have a post office sub-station at the show, with a special exhibition cancellation, but this had to be omitted due to the increased number of frames in the show itself, the sponsors believing that the exhibition would be more appreciated by visitors.

However, contrary to rumors which have come to the committee's attention, there will be a dealers' bourse at the show — all spaces having been engaged early in the planning of the affair. The Congress programs will begin Thursday evening, October 29 with a symposium on "Pricing in Stamp Catalogs" — one of the hotly debated issues in collecting — and will continue with four sessions of presentation of papers by authors of papers in the 1953 Congress book (reviewed elsewhere in this edition), two to be held on Friday the 30th and two on Saturday the 31st — with the final session the "writers' breakfast" on Sunday morning devoted to a discussion of philatelic bibliography.

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## Official Cachet For ASDA Show

Authorized by the American Stamp Dealers' Association for the 1953 A. S. D. A. National Postage Stamp Show is an "official" envelope bearing an illustration which represents the theme of the coming exhibition — New York City's Tercentennial. The show, the fifth annual one, takes place on November 20, 21 and 22 in New York City's 71st Infantry Regiment Armory.

Produced by Aircraft Engravings, a unit of The Washington Press, Newark, N. J., the cachet in gray-black pictures Peter Minuet Dutch colonial administrator, buying the Island of Manhattan from the Indians for trinkets valued at sixty guilders — \$24.

In the background is shown New York's modern skyscrapers. Between is the East River, with one of the 20th century bridges and two vessels.

Peter G. Keller, executive officer of the A. S. D. A., the show's sponsors, said the envelopes will be made available at the Armory, where the visitors may buy in singles and in quantities, and do the mailing at the special post office which New York's Acting Postmaster John H. Sheehan will install.

At this post office may be purchased the New York City Tercentennial 3c commemorative stamp which will be given first day sale on November 20. All the covers posted there will receive the Government's customary "First Day of Issue" cancellation plus an A. S. D. A. slogan-marking as evidence that the envelopes were mailed at the show.

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## Seals Picture Santa Claus & Cornucopia

Santa Claus figures prominently in the 1953 Christmas Seal design. Cuba has prepared. These are printed in booklet panes of ten and can be gotten in any one of three colors, green, violet and red.



England's Seal for 1953 is a colorful affair according to the G & E Stamp Co. of Springfield, Mass.



In many colors it pictures a cornucopia from which are coming various gaily wrapped packages. In the upper left corner the red Lorraine Cross is superimposed on a Christmas Tree. Other colors are yellow, blue, black and green.

## September Plate Data Skimpy

September was a rather slow month at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing as things concerning new postage stamp printing plates were concerned. Commemorative occupied most of the attention according to a report from the Post Office Department.

Numbers assigned to plates for the printing of postage stamps in September were:

Airmail 6c, 400 subject plates numbered 24850-60.

Trucking 3c commem, 200 subject plates, numbered 24861-2-3-4-5-6.

Plates sent to the press and printed from for the first time in September are:

Presidential 3c booklet, 360 subject plate, numbered 24443.

Presidential \$1 regular, 100 subject plate, numbered 24835 (vignette).

Future Farmers 3c commem, 200 subject plates numbered 24826-7.

Sagamore Hill 3c commem, 200 subject plates, numbered 24851-2-3-4.

Five plates were cancelled from further use in September. These are:

24113, 24324 — Presidential 3c regular.

24569, 24570 — Presidential 3c regular.

24730 — Presidential 1½c regular.

The last item was only used for 158,898 impressions. The others one half million or more.

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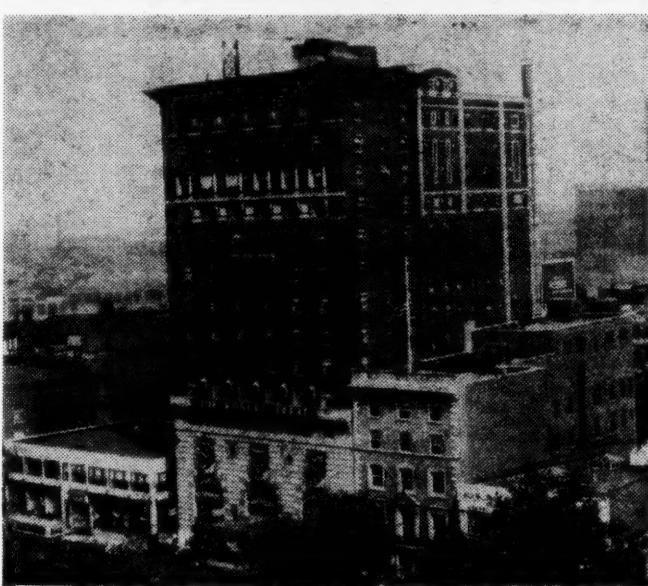
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SCENE OF THE AMERICAN PHILATELIC CONGRESS is the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark, N. J. This annual get-together of collectors where they share their knowledge via the reading of papers on various philatelic subjects, will take place October 30, 31 and November 1. These papers are then printed in the Congress Book which is sent to each member of the organization. There will also be a sizeable exhibition and bourse under the auspices of Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc. whose chairman is William C. Webb.

## Feminine Touch For New York City Cachet

The Women's International Stamp Club will, on December 7, honor the 300th Centenary Celebration of New York City by sponsoring a cachet. A special design featuring the "distaff" or "feminine" side of stamp collecting will be

printed on an envelope which will bear the New York City Stamp of November 20, and the postmark of the New York City 300th Centenary Celebration Slogan.

It will be mailed directly to collectors. Requests, accompanied by addresses and money are to be sent to Mrs. Meta Haas, 1440 Troy Ave., Brooklyn 3, N. Y. The price is 10c per cachet.

## Hoerburger Prexy Of Bronx County Club

President William Hoerburger was recently installed as head of the Bronx County Stamp Club of New York City for the fiscal year 1953-54.

With him in the official family are vice presidents Irwin Steinberger and Milton G. Tunick, treasurer Frederick Yeager and secretary Isadore Willinger, 314 E. 163rd St., New York 56, N. Y.

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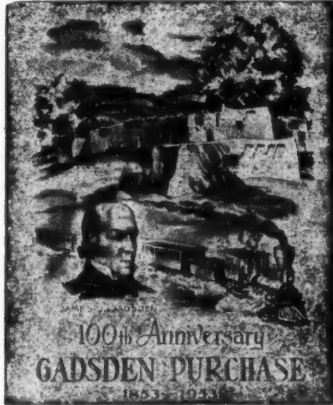
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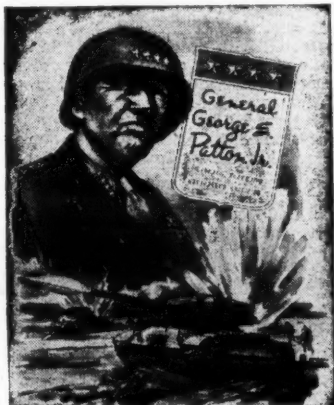
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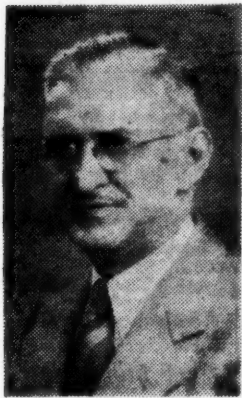
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## Reducing The Postal Deficit

This is a problem Postmaster General Summerfield claims to be taking seriously. The main question is, how to do it best to serve the interests of all concerned and that chiefly means the public. It is the public that gets the service and pays for it and the public is most concerned. It is therefore not a practical thing to simply raise rates to a point that will pay for the service as it is now set up and feel that the job has been accomplished.



GEORGE W. LINN

Already, Senator Frank Carlson has several Committees of civilians and business men who are working on revision of present rates. What they also need to work on is, the entire mode of operation of the department, even down to thousands of minor matters which seem trivial when mentioned, but if a few thousand dollars can be saved in each of these various matters we will come up with a half million or more in actual savings. It is for this reason that we say a review should be made of the entire activity of the department. Let some group of sound hard-headed business men review all activities of the P. O. D. and I warrant you many different savings running into the thousands of dollars in each instance can be made immediately.

It would take a complete study of the affairs and operations of the department to start pointing out a lot of such things, but there are a few such that have become so apparent, that we as stamp people and as publishers, see every day, that we want to point them out and assure all who read this editorial that if adopted, there would be a saving of a very large sum affected with no deterioration in operation or service to the public.

Let's start with our present postage stamps. For years past we have been besieged with issues of stamps that are questionable in so far as any sound reason is available for their issue. Many of them seem to smack of political skulduggery. This was true all through the Roosevelt administration and is being gradually stepped up to a higher tempo in this new administration. Commemoratives would be nice for exploiting our country but are improperly used to exploit the trucking industry, the railroads etc. Why not give us commemorative stamps that exploit America. There was quite a hullabaloo over the B. & O. stamp of 1952 and we felt that the powers that be would try to avoid anything so personal in the future but now we come up with the Reo Truck Stamp. This one is so apparent that it is already announced that the design will be changed. Perhaps you read the editorial in the Scripps Howard Newspapers blasting the design of this stamp. They were only telling the P. M. G. what many stamp collectors and one stamp collectors magazine have repeated in the past several years. However, they made one mistake, for Leopold Stokowski is on the stamp and a complete orchestra too, but they are in the Music Hall in the Big City we find pictured on this stamp.

As a philatelic student, we can see this, but we could hardly expect a newspaper editor to see it as we can see it.

Point is, the stamps are too big. The design of this stamp would make a good six sheet poster. If we cut them down in size to the same size as our normal stamps then the artists cannot put so much on them and we can gradually get some common sense in the designs and they will be much more attractive.

The pictorial stamps of the 1922-23 issue are of smaller size. Each of the values, the 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, \$1.00 and \$2.00 values have very attractive pictures on them. Even these, however, would have been improved in appearance if the corner ornamentation had been eliminated and the stamps made a bit more plain in motif.

Let's reduce the size of these stamps to the normal size. We think it would produce more attractive stamps. It would save a very large part of their cost, for it would take but half as much paper and ink. Half as much storage space, half as much handling and shipping charges. The large stamps are disliked by commercial users of large lots of stamps, because it takes too much licking and sticking. The annual saving to the department would be many thousands of dollars. The stamps would sell faster at the post offices, they would be used up quicker, the collector who buys a sheet for future profit would find that the stamps would become of value quicker than the large size stamps. The smaller size would take less than half as much space to list in the Scott catalog and our albums. Savings would come all along the line and the mail service would not suffer from this change, because stamp clerks do not like handling the larger size either. We think the limited size would be productive of better designing if everything except the necessary wording and the subject for which the stamp is issued would be omitted. Many foreign stamps in smaller size bear out this belief.

Now, let us look at another saving which is apparent to us as a publisher who receives certain printed or mimeographed information service from the P. O. D. We are in frequent receipt of a mimeographed circular on an 11x8 1/2 inch sheet. Sometimes these news releases run two or three sheets. Whether one, two, or three, sheets these remarks below will apply to any of them.

To send out these circulars the P. O. D. uses a large piece of paper, this sheet must be mimeographed or printed by some means. It must then be folded. Next we need an envelope for mailing. Even a reduction in size of the envelope, from the number 10 size to the 6 1/2 size would affect some saving and the insertion of the circular in the envelope of small size would be less costly than in the large size. But the cost of the envelope could be eliminated. Of course it must be addressed, that can not be avoided, but for most of these circulars one could use a mailing card of manila stock. Print the cards in 8 point type. A card of postal card size would carry many of these messages. A slightly larger card would carry what usually takes a two or three page letter. No folding or inserting in envelopes would be necessary. Postage cost if figured by the department on the same basis as we would pay postage would be half of what it now is. Total saving would run from 50 to 60% less than present costs and the information would be better to those who receive it.

If other examples of how to save a few thousand dollars are wanted they can readily be found by any man who has to pay his own money for running his own business. Soon, many thousands would be saved and we understand that is one of the problems.

Now, let us look at matters from another angle. Is it right under present P. O. operation that the Department should support itself? We do not think so. Let us take for example a big chain store system that operates stores all over the country. When it is definitely found that one of these stores is a losing proposition year after year, that store is closed and vacated. That is sound business.

Under the postal service we have many thousands of small post offices as well as thousands of rural mail routes. Few of these pay their own way. The offices are operated at a big loss as are the rural routes. Would it be right to close all of these offices and also stop

## SMILEATELICS....Bob Rieker



"Stop watching that football game and watch where you're mounting those stamps!"

## New Antigua's In Decimal Currency

The production of a new definitive issue for Antigua, the British Colony in the West Indies, was accomplished with a minimum of expense and delay. It amounted to the exchange of the portrait of the late King George VI for that of his daughter, Queen Elizabeth, except for two denominations.



According to A. J. E. Davis Washington representative for the Crown Agents the new design will be used for 8c and 48c stamps — it pictures Martello Tower.

Conversion to decimal currency is put through at the same time the values and their colors being (the equivalent denomination replaced of the current design is in parentheses):—

1c gray (1/2d); 2c green (1d); 3c black and yellow (1 1/2d); 4c red (2d); 5c black and purple (2 1/2d); 6c yellow (3d); 8c blue Martello Tower; 12c violet (6d); 24c black and chocolate (1s); 48c purple and blue, Martello Tower; 60c claret (2s6d); \$1.20 olive green (5s); \$2.40 magenta (10s); \$4.80 blue green (£1).

Printing was by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. of England from engraved plates. First day of issue is November 2.

## Collectors Shun FDC's Of UN Envelopes

The UN Postal Administration has announced that on the first day of issue of the embossed envelope on September 15 a total of 102,278 envelopes were given first day cancellation — 67,935 of the standard size, and 34,343 of the legal size.

## 1953 STAMP PROGRAM

Nov. 11—Gen. Patton 3c, Fort Knox, Ky. (50 per pane, 110 million).

Nov. 20—NYC 300 Years 3c, New York, N. Y. (50 per pane, 110 million).

Dec. 30—Gadsden Purchase 3c, Tucson, Ariz. (50 per pane, 110 million).

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1017—National Guard 3c, Washington, D. C. February 23.

1018—Ohio Sesqui 3c, Chillicothe, Ohio, March 2.

1019 — Washington Territorial 3c, Olympia, Wash., March 2.

1020—Louisiana Purchase, St. Louis, Mo., April 30.

047—Aviation 6c, Dayton, Ohio, May 29.

1021 — Commodore Perry 5c, Washington, D. C., July 14.

1022 — Bar Asso. 3c, Boston, Mass., August 24.

1023—Sagamore Hill 3c, Oyster Bay, N. Y. September 14.

1024 — Future Farmers 3c, Kansas City, Mo., October 13.

1025 — Trucking Industry 3c, Los Angeles, Calif. October 27.

To obtain First Day Covers collectors can send a reasonable number, each with a name and address, and enclosing a sticker, to the c/o Postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for first day service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed to the covers.

rural mail delivery because they are not bearing their own cost of operation as was done with the chain store?

We do not think so, but on the other hand we do not think that the larger cities which do sufficient business to support the postal service for their areas should be taxed by higher rates, to support the non-profit small offices and rural routes. To support this service the P. O. Department should be subsidized. That means a regular annual deficit which should be borne by the government. We believe this to be sound and sensible reasoning.

## Austrian Theatre, Lutheran Issues

A 1.50 Schilling commemorative marking the 150th anniversary of the State Theatre at Linz in Upper Austria was released by the Austrian Postal Administration on October 14 with its validity for postage effective on October 17. The design has a view of the building and two theatre masks.



There was a printing of 800,000 copies in sheets of fifty by the Austrian State Printing Works from engraved plates. Ernest Schrom designed this item; Friedrich Teubel engraved it.

The Lutheran School at Vienna will benefit from the funds raised by the surtax on a set of semi-postals Austria released October 30. Their postal validity takes place on November 5.



On the 70 plus 15 groschen red violet is pictured the oldest Protestant school, known as the Bummerlhaus, at Steyer in Upper Austria. The Waldenses, a pre-Lutheran sect established it. Famous astronomer Johannes Kepler who lectured at Lutheran schools from 1593 to 1626 can be seen on the a Schilling plus 25g dark blue.

A Lutheran Bible, circa 1534, and now preserved in the National Library at Vienna is displayed on the 1.50S plus 40g red brown. The man who built the Lutheran School on the Karlsplatz in Vienna, which was burned down by the Nazis in World War II, has his portrait on the 2.40S plus 60g bluish green. He is Theophil von Hansen, noted architect.

On the 3S plus 75g dark violet is shown the new Lutheran School built on the site of the one which the Nazis destroyed.

A rather conservative printing has been made of this set with only 470,000 complete sets possible. The Austrian State Printing Works produced all five from engraved plates.

The 70g, 1.50S and 3S were designed by Alfred Chmielowski, who also designed the frames of the other two. The engraving on the same three was by Rudolf Toth. Ferdinand Lorber engraved the remaining two stamps and designed the vignettes of the 1.25S and 2.40-S.

Illustrations and information about the new Austrian issues was received from Edwin Mueller of New York City, and the Austrian Postal Administration.

## Berck Specialized In New 1954 Edition

From Paris comes the 1954 edition of the Berck Specialized Catalog of France and Colonies, published by Edouard Berck, philatelic expert and editor of 6 Place de la Madeleine, Paris 8, France.

It is in the French language and it will take a fair knowledge of it to gather the many fine bits of information which Mr. Berck has assembled and in many instances illustrated with very readable pictures.

Since the Berck firm deals in stamps this catalog might also be considered a price list when looking at the valuations affixed to the major and minor varieties. While evaluations conform to the general French market for the commoner material, Berck's pricings of the scarce and rare material would have to be considered just about "on the nose".

As in the specialized catalog of any nation, this one too has numerous things of great interest to the specialist usually never found in the general catalogs.

There are 160 pages bound between card covers. Illustrations and paper are much better than

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N. Guinea (C44 \$14)	45	N. Guinea (C44 \$14)	45	80.00 6.50
" (Used \$9)	37	" (Used \$9)	37	22.50 3.50
Nigeria (46 \$4.35)	49	Nigeria (46 \$4.35)	49	5.00 3.50
N. Rhodesia (36 \$1.85)	37	N. Rhodesia (36 \$1.85)	37	5.00 3.50
N. Zealand (Used \$10)	33-4	N. Zealand (Used \$10)	33-4	40.00 18.00
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Sarawak (151 \$2 152 \$3)	154	Sarawak (151 \$2 152 \$3)	154	22.50 11.00
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" (Used \$14)	69-78	28.05	24.00
" (29-30 \$13.50)	13-16	38.50	8.00
Dominica (65-83 \$9.75)	83-85	23.65	8.00
Leewards 1890	9-16	116.25	63.00
" (9-15 \$20)	167-83	28.34	11.00
Malta (148-66 \$10)	12-21	30.15	24.00
Montserrat 1903	12-21	30.15	24.00
" (Used \$36)	163-71	14.70	7.50
Newfoundland	115-26	26.00	11.00
" Cabot	61-74	31.65	24.00
" 1910 Litho.	87-97	8.71	4.00
N. Borneo (208-22 C) \$11	223-37	18.96	18.00
N. Rhodesia (Inc. \$1-28)	23-37	18.96	18.00
N. Rhodesia (81 \$5.50)	68-81	13.13	7.25
Nyasaland (81 \$5.50)	68-81	13.13	7.25
Samoa Stevenson	181-84	6.00	2.50
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Various virtues and moods are symbolized by female figures pictured on Saar semipostals of 1934.



BY CARL P. RUETH

I have received a letter from Rolf Dlugos of New Orleans, La. in which he reproduces one received from Asst. PMG Albert J. Robertson. It concerns the petitioning in behalf of a "Flower" stamp which various interested persons and organizations have made to the Post Office Department.

Mr. Robertson is not very encouraging in some respects, his greatest "if and when" being that a new regular postage series is to be issued in 1954 which will amount to approximately 20 stamps, and which leaves little engraving or press time for other issues.

That sort of caps the rumors for a new regular postage series, and stamp fans will find no time like the present to start laying aside a two-bit piece here and there to pay for the stamps on a set of first day covers which will run to the \$5.00 denomination.

Naturally the Flower Stamp seekers want the posey depicted on such a sticker in more than one color, no less than two, and more if possible. It has been suggested by them that the printing be done by the Swiss firm of Courvoisier which produces so many beautiful stamps in roto- or heliogravure, whatever you wish to call it.

Commenting on that idea, Mr. Robertson states, "It is doubtful whether Switzerland or any other foreign country could produce United States stamps in the large quantities which must be furnished. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is required to furnish all commemorative issues (usually 110 million of each) in addition to more than 20 billion ordinary stamps required each year by the mailing public."

Roughly, that means that the Bureau has to print 77 million regular stamps every working day of the year, figuring five days a week. On top of that are the other issues like the commems, special deliveries and airmails.

If the new regular series comes to pass as stated, there will be few commems — only those which are made absolutely necessary by precedent or historical necessity.

1. Thomas Ball's statue, "Emancipation" is to be seen on what commemorative stamp?  
2. The Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial issue pictures a statue located in the municipal park along the Muskingum River in what city?

I am rather intrigued with the "reasons" or "justifications", proponents of a 5c rate for first class letters have been offering in support of their project. That means that where you now pay three cents to mail a letter one ounce or less anywhere within the United States or Possessions, it will cost you 5c.

Claimed is that the mail could be expedited and delivered so much more quickly by air and that the added 2c would pay for this super-speed.

I think that is a lot of out-and-out bosh, and forthright propaganda promoted by the air lines to gain further subsidies in the way of air-mail.

In many instances today, and it has been proven on a number of occasions by newspapers which tried it, airmail is lot's slower between communities say 1000 miles apart, or less, than regular surface mail.

On top of that, as the air lines are now constituted, it would be highly debatable whether the mail would be speeded by air-hauling for 90 per cent of all first class mail. A chart of statistics prepared some time ago for a senate investigation showed that approximately 50 per cent of the mail originating in a certain area is delivered within less than a 1000 mile radius. If the airplanes aren't effective in that range now why should they be at another 2c per letter?

In keeping with the above, Glenn Himebaugh of Canton, Ohio sent me the clipping of some verse (author unknown) which appeared recently in the Youngstown, Ohio Vindicator on the same subject — 5c for out-of-town first class letters. Here 'tis:

Behold the old time postage stamp  
Long dear to you and me.....  
It soon will join the upward trend

And be a luxury.  
To correspond was easy once  
For this world's poorest man,  
But now a little writing calls  
For a financing plan!

Emery C. Lee of Tulare, Calif.

forwards a clipping from the Fresno Bee which tells that Congressman Harlan Hagen is advocating a special Christmas stamp for release in 1954. Mr. Hagen wants the design to carry a reproduction of the General Grant Tree in Kings Canyon National Park, a tremendously high redwood.

Each year on Christmas morning services are conducted at its base.

The Fresno Bee offers a quote from a letter which the congressman wrote to PMG Summerfield saying, "I am sure that this special issue would do as much as any other single thing to instill in the hearts of Americans the spiritual value of Christmas to our Democratic way of life."

Caramba!  
Does this character know that it is the Birth of the Son of God on earth we celebrate on Christmas Day? Let's leave tree-worship to the Druids.

It is surprising how often postal workers and even postmasters make mistakes in matters of postal procedure. It is to be expected that the heads of the local mail mills of small size where practically all the office requires is the selling of stamps, and the distribution and postmarking of mail, will do so.

But the larger ones get flubbed up as well.

Evidence from Missouri was sent by a lady who had affixed a block of four of the 5c Perry commem and two of the 3c Bar Asso. to prepay the airmail rate to a destination in Asia. She overpaid 1c to give the receiver the benefit of "stamps of philatelic value" franking. The rate is 25c per half ounce.

This piece of mail passed the local post office but was returned from the California dispatching office with the notation on the envelope

lope "Returned for 24c additional postage". It was just a hair over the weight limit.

So a 25c UPU commem was affixed and the letter taken to the local post office for handling. The local postmaster refused to accept the letter stating that the letter would have to be put in another envelope and 50c postage applied.

The lady not inclined to argue the matter removed the letter and sent it on by surface mail for 5c. She then asked an opinion from here.

The postmaster, of course, was 100 per cent wrong for with the addition of the required stamps, it was once again the Post Office Department's baby.

It used to be that underpaid mail was generally sent on, and the postage due collected from the addressee. But that probably was not profitable for perhaps many of the addressees didn't have the cash to meet the deficit and the letter had to be re-handled all the way back to the sender. There's no profit in that.

Now the policy is to return such underpaid mail just as soon as it is caught, and the Department has been quite insistent that postal employees do a lot of checking.

The same postmaster who refused the above-mentioned airmail letter also charged his customers 25c to send letters by air to the men in the armed forces in Korea. Then he became a little dubious about that and reduced the charge to 15c. Finally when someone raised sufficient h-1 (bad word) he went to the trouble (!) of finding the rate information which told him that only 6c was required.

1. The 1940 commem marking the 75th anniversary of the 13th Amendment to the Constitution.  
2. Marietta, Ohio.

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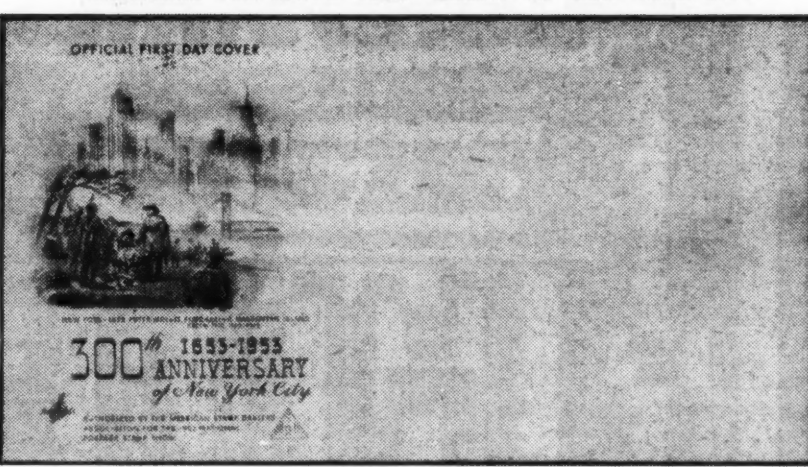
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# Workers Issue Concluded; 33rd Auto Salon, Tuscany Stamp Centenary Honored

by Bert Happ

CHAPTER XVII

## THE WORKERS ISSUE

**The Hemp - Emilia-Romagna.** (65L)—Emilia, central section of northern Italy, bounded by Lombardy to the north, Romagna to the east, Tuscany to the south and Liguria to the west. Parma and Modena are the chief cities.

**Romagna,** eastern section of northern Italy, bounded by Venetia on the north, on the west by Emilia, and Tuscany and The Marches to the south, with the Adriatic to the east. Chief cities are Bologna and Ravenna.

**Pomposa Abbey.** About a mile east of Codigero (which is 33 miles east of Ferrara) lies the once famous Badia Santa Maria in Pomposa (9th cent.), abandoned in the middle ages because of malaria. The foresteria, refectory and some of the conventual buildings with 14th century paintings in fresco by painters of the Rimini school, are still standing.

The church, an edifice of 1036 in the style of early Christian basilicas with a vestibule of 1050, has a fine mosaic pavement. The campanile (164 feet) dates from 1063 and is in good preservation. Guido D'Arezzo taught here.

**Hemp** — is the money crop of Emilia-Romagna. The hemp is sunk in the water to cure. This causes quite a stench when it is taken out in the late summer or early fall.

**Indian Corn—Friuli-Venezia Giulia** (100 L) — Friuli is in the northeastern corner of northern Italy, along the old Austrian border.



Venezia Giulia is below Friuli and to the east, once including Trieste and all the disputed territory

at the head of the Adriatic.

**The Timber — Trentino-Alto Adige.** (200L) — Trentino lies in central northern Italy in the vicinity of the city of Trent, north and east of Lake Garda.

**Alto Adige** is in the Italian Tyrol above Trentino, lying along the upper reaches of the River Adige in the dolomite region of the Alps.

The Towers of Vajollet. About 16 miles east of the city of Bolzano lies the Vajollet Valley in the dolomite region of the Italian Tyrol. Down the eastern slope of one of the picturesque dolomite peaks, the Rosengarten, flows a stream called the Sojal, which descends thru the wild valley of Vajollet and joins the Avisio River a short distance above the town of Perra. The Avisio River is a tributary of the Adige. Two of the fantastic "towers" of the Valley of Vajollet are shown on the stamp.

## Centenary Tuscany Stamps

The 1 Crazia had its first day July 1, 1851; the 6 Crazie were first sold April 1, 1851. Depicted on



each is the Marzocco, the Heraldic lion of Tuscany, wearing the

Tuscan crown.

The Cathedral of Florence. The Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore (St. Mary of the Flower) is so called in allusion to the lily in the city's coat of arms, which marks the tradition that Florence was founded in a field of flowers.

The Cathedral was begun in 1296 by Arnolfo di Cambio, who was ordered "to raise the loftiest, most sumptuous and most magnificent edifice that human ingenuity could devise, or human labor execute."

After Arnolfo's death in 1301 operations were successively directed by Giotto, 1334-1337; Andrea Pisano, 1337-1349; Francesco Talenti, 1351-1369, and other architects. In 1417 a committee of architects and engineers was summoned to advise how best to raise a dome. A famous competition took place, resulting in the appointment of Filippo Brunelleschi.

The construction of the giant dome took 14 years and the church was finally consecrated 1436. This church, larger than any previously built in Italy, covers an area of 84,000 square feet, being 555 feet long and 340 feet wide. The height of the dome to the lantern is 350 feet.

Years later, when Michaelangelo was working on his design of St. Peter's dome, and was told that he had a chance to surpass the dome of Florence, he replied: "I will make her sister dome; larger, yes; but not more beautiful."

The Campanile of Florence. In 1334 Giotto, then architect for the Cathedral, was given a commission by the Signoria to build a campanile, or bell tower, adjoining the church. When his design was submitted a decree was passed that "the campanile should be built so as to exceed in height and magnificence of workmanship, everything of the kind that had been achieved of old by the Greeks and Romans when at the zenith of their greatness."

The foundation stone was laid with great ceremony on July 8, 1334. After the death of Giotto the work was carried on by Andrea Pisano and Francesco Talenti in strict adherence to the plans, except for the spire, intended to be 150 feet high, which was never added. This wonderful, simple structure, 276 feet high, is richly adorned with marbles of most harmonious coloring, delicately cut ornaments, statues and a series of reliefs which are unpar-

leled in Italy.

The subjects of these reliefs are: the story of Genesis; the invention of the arts — mechanical, intellectual and figurative; the planets; the virtues, the Sacraments. It is the story of man-created, finding himself in the midst of the realms of nature, he devises means to satisfy his bodily and then his intellectual and aesthetic needs.

His innate character is influenced by the planets (Dante), but by devotion to religious and ethical virtues and by aid of the Sacraments, he can rise above his in-born defects and realize his true life. 414 easy steps lead to the top of the campanile which commands a view of the city and the surrounding heights.

## 33rd International Auto Salon

The auto depicted is the "Berlina".

This show is held in Turin in the Mole Antonelliana. The Mole was begun in 1863 as a synagogue by A. Antonelli and completed by the



city in 1878. It is a square building, 44 yards each side, resembling a tower; its height, including the "Stella d'Italia" is 548 feet. The Grande Aula is 85 feet square and about 300 feet high, with three galleries, one above the other.

(Continued next week)

Comprehensive Sale  
Of British Colonials

One of the most comprehensive listings of British Colonial stamps ever to appear in an issue of Linn's can be found in the present edition offered by the Herrick Stamp Co., 43-L Herrick Dr., Lawrence, Long Island, N. Y. It will pay collectors interested in such material to read the ad carefully.

When sending your order to Herrick the firm asks that mention be made of Linn's Weekly Stamp News. Herrick advises that a good stock of all the advertised items are now on hand.

A woman letter carrier is shown on a Grande Italia postage due stamp.

Semipostals Have  
Unique Designs

The Netherlands has pioneered in another form of art for its annual semipostal stamps from which the children of the nation will benefit. Heretofore, collectors have looked forward with keen anticipation to what the land of dikes and canals would do in the way of outstanding designs, and this year there will be no disappointment.



There are to be five stamps in the set, and each should be a picture of delight to both the youngsters and adults. They are to be released on November 16 and will continue on sale in all the post offices of the nation until January 15. Their postal validity will remain until December 31, 1954.

Printing is to be the work of Johann Enschede and Sons, of Haarlem by offset lithography, each in two colors, in sheets of 100.

Denominations, designs and colors are: 2c plus 3c yellow and blue, girl's head with bucket flag and spade; 5c plus 3c green and carmine, boy's head and apple; 7c plus 5c blue and sepia, girl's head and pigeon; 10c plus 5c, gold ochre and violet, boy's head with ship; 25c plus 8c rose and olive green, girl's head with tulip.

The stamps are available at 20c per set (U.S. currency) plus return postage from the Philatelic Service, The Hague, Netherlands. Stamps or coin are not accepted in payment.

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1934 Swede (6)	1.10	.45	.11	.03		
1934 Northwest	2.50	.40	.10	.03		
1934 Iowa	.95	.50	.12	.03		
1934 Golden Gate	.38	.28	.07	.03		
1934 New York	.48	.28	.07	.03		
1934 Inaug. (8)	.85	.45	.11	.03		
1934 Baseball	.65	.44	.10	.02		
1934 C. Zone (6)	1.25	.45	.10	.02		
1934 Printers	.35	.25	.07	.02		
1934 Statehood	.37	.25	.06	.02		
1934 Pan. Am. Set	46.50	22.00	5.00	1.60		
1934 Pony	1.70	1.00	.25	.04		
1934 Pan-Am.	1.50	.80	.20	.04		
1934 Idaho	.65	.40	.10	.03		
1934 Wyoming	.90	.40	.10	.02		
1934 Colorado	.75	.40	.10	.02		
1934 Defense	.23	.10	.03	.02		
1934 Defense	.26	.12	.04	.02		

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RW4	1.50	.90	—	—
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RW7, 8 each	.90	—	—	—
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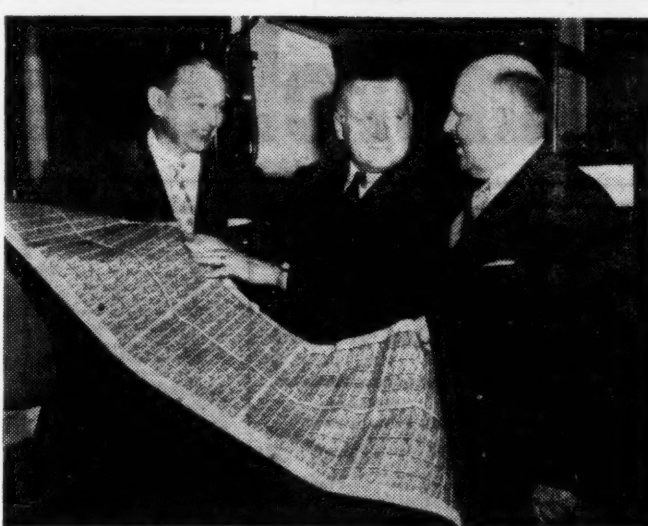
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## Our Famous Americans



NIAGARA FALLS 25c

These great waterfalls on the Niagara River, joining Lakes Erie and Ontario and forming a portion of the boundary between the U. S. and Canada, were first "discovered" by white men in 1678. Goat Island divides them into the Horseshoe Falls of Canada and the American Falls on the U. S. side. While our side of the falls is higher, the Canadian Horseshoe Falls are much wider, almost 2500 feet. The land on either side of the falls has been converted into public parks and international agreements have established the amount of water that may be diverted for electric power.

Naturally, the rush of the water over these falls creates some erosion — the ledge of Horseshoe Falls is being worn away at the rate of some three feet each year, while the cutting away at the American Falls is much slower, since the action of the water is not so strong — it moves backward from four to seven inches each year.

For many years foolhardy men and a woman or two have attempted to ride the falls — in wine barrels, hogheads, animal skins, specially prepared rubber balls with cushioning, and so forth — but only the few have succeeded. In recent years this "sport" has become so dangerous and so often fatal that it is now entirely prohibited by law.

NOTE — Though probably best-known in the world, Niagara Falls are by no means the highest; Victoria Falls near Rhodesia in Africa have a fall of about 400 feet and the Angel Falls in Venezuela which is more than 15 times as far as Niagara Falls. O. K. — let them have their higher falls — we are content with our own beautiful Niagara.

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Mr. Stryker and a partner checked more than 200 post offices in the south, on the chance that some watermarked copies of this issue were available. They made their find in the Charleston area, and extended their trip north through Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and neighboring states.

Subsequently a wide search was made in the mid-west and other sections of the country, but no other copies were found.

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The finder of the error is S. Kellog Stryker of New York City. A total of only 401 mint copies have been found; these were discovered in one area, around Charleston, S. C. Less than 150 used copies are known after a search of several thousand copies in wholesalers' stocks.

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(1st)	.50
#28-29 Pence	1.15
#30-31 Silver Wed.	2.15
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(2nd)	.75
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Cpl. country	.60
59 vals.	62.50

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#8 Used	1.25
#9 Used	3.00
#10 Used	9.00
#11 Used	2.00
#12 Used	.35
#13 Used	3.00
#14	.80
#15	9.00
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#19	.35

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#37 Scarce	.15
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#39 Cat. \$3.00	1.35
#40	.40
#41 1/2	.70
#42 Cat. \$2.50	1.15
#43 Cat. \$2.50	1.20
Centenary	33.00
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Queen Eliz. to \$4.80	.75
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#42 4d ultra	.50
#43 4d, 43 Sleepers	.25
#44 2/6	.45
#45 2/6	.45
#46 5/	.90
#47 10/	1.80
Current set of Geo. VI	.30
#50-51 Pence	.10
#52-53 Silver Wed.	2.40
#54-56 3 add. vals.	.30
#57-60 U.P.U.	.20
#61-62	.55

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# Transition Usages

Stephen G. Rich

Within philatelic collecting, as it has now developed, transitions from one usage to another, from one administration to another, provide an increasing portion of the more interesting pieces which we describe or show. Indeed, the boundary from being strictly a stamp collector, into being worthy of the title of "philatelist", may well be passed by any person at the moment at which some transition usage is featured somewhere in his collection. It is the point of view, which recognition of transition usages implies, that marks off the advance in our hobby which makes anyone a philatelist in the now accepted sense of that word.

By all odds the easiest of all transition usages on which to find material continues to be that of Union of South Africa from 1910 to the end of 1913. Four former colonies, each with its own stamps, became unified as a Free Kingdom on May 30, 1910. For the first few weeks, while arrangements for unification were made, the postal paper of each colony was used as hitherto.

On August 18, 1910, the new Union of South Africa post office department issued an order making any stamp valid in Cape, Natal, Orange River or Transvaal at the date of formation of the Union, valid throughout the country. Before September was over, we began to get examples of transition usage, because the four former colonies' stamps had been pooled at Pretoria and were being issued to post offices everywhere regardless of what colony name they bore.

These "Interprovincials", transition to the Union's own national stamps, were destined to have a longer life than had been expected. The Union's first stamp, the 2½d commemorative of November 4, 1910, was long the only nationally issued stamp. Only on September 1, 1913 did the regular national issue start to appear; and even into 1914 the interprovincials continued to be the stamps most regularly seen except on mail from the larger post offices. Because the 1910 commemorative, which had been the regularly used 2½d until September 1913, kept them out of use, the colonial 2½d's of the four colonies were not extensively used. As a result, they were passed out in 1914 and 1915, seeing very late use all over the country.

The only former colony having dues, Transvaal, supplied the whole Union's need for such stamps till the first national issue in 1915.

Thus we may show several periods of transition:

1. May 30-Aug. 18, 1910, with colonial usage, each former colony's stamps in the home province only.  
 2. Aug. 18 to Nov. 4, 1910, with colonial stamps used interchangeably throughout the Free Kingdom.

3. Nov. 4, 1910 to Sept. 1, 1913, with the Union 2d and the interchangeable stamps of former colonies used throughout the country.

4. Sept. 1, 1913 to roughly Feb. 1, 1914, with the new Union national stamps and the former colonial stamps mixed, and the Colonial 2½d stamps coming into use.

5. 1914 and 1915, with the colonial 2½d stamps being used up, the 2½d of 1910 no longer generally current, and the national issue coming to be the universal usage.

To which we add the transition in 1915 from Transvaal dues used throughout the country, to the new National dues. This transition was not complete, as various values of Transvaal dues were in use at some offices till 1919 and in one case (the 5d) till 1924.

There is this curious further aspect: in 1911 and into 1912, the great majority of stamps used were those of Natal and Cape of Good Hope, in all four provinces.

In 1913 the overwhelming majority of stamps used throughout the country were Transvaal stamps. Indeed, pending appearance of the new national issue, the Union government had to have continued printings of colonial 2½d and 1d stamps—perhaps of other values also. For these the Transvaal plates were used.

A collection showing, by legible postmark readings and dates, the changes as here outlined, can be assembled without too much cost and difficulty. Of course it has to show each colony's stamps used in each province, year by year. To make it show all known values used, each year, in each province, requires only the time to see enough material. From 33 years of development of such transition-usage collection, I can assure anyone that it is interesting, rewarding, and not of high cost.

Another transition usage is that from stampless to stamped mailings, say on Canadian or U. S. covers. We may not realize that throughout Canada, use of stamps

was not compulsory until 1875; or that in our own country it was not compulsory until 1856. Indeed, our own country had letters regularly prepaid and collect until the end of 1855.

Thus, the same office may show, if a larger one, both paid and collect stampless at the 5c and the 10c rate from 1847 to 1851, along with covers of the 1847 stamps. Indeed, it appears that 90 per cent of the mail still went stampless, and a goodly portion of that 90 per cent collect, while the 1847's were current. The same office may even show special postmarks with rate included, in the period around 1850. Newark, N. J., where the American Philatelic Congress meets this year, is such an office.

With the 1851's we get a 3c rate, whether stamped or stampless, for letters sent prepaid; and a 5c rate when sent collect. Here is a three-fold transition showing. Then comes the brief period in which everything had to be prepaid, and yet could be sent stampless. And finally we get the all-stamped domestic mail from mid-1856 on.

I said "finally", for that is correct as applied to domestic mail. However, as late as 1860, stampless mailing from the U. S. to Canada occurred. Nobody has yet worked out the story of this curious reversion; nor has anyone discovered whether it applied to other countries.

One need not go abroad, nor yet back to even 1910 — let alone the 1850's — to get transition usages. We have had three rises in Special Delivery rates in the last decade. On each occasion, there was a lapse of time between the new rate and appearance of a special delivery stamp for it. True, the old 20c Flat Plate special delivery stamps were on hand when the rate went to that figure; but they supplied only a fraction of the quantity needed. So there is a double transition: using up of the old, makeshift supply period, and then the new 20c Rotary Press stamp. Covers showing various expedients in these transitions are not hard to find. Well worked up, they could be a philatelic solid, and a most interesting collection.

The range of transition usages is so great that only a few obvious cases can be touched on. No doubt many a reader will think of a more striking one known to him, and here omitted.

But this article cannot end without at least mention of the extensive use of Sardinia's last issue throughout the Kingdom of Italy during the period of unification, 1859 to 1861 and after unification from St. Patrick's Day 1861 till the December 1863 issue replaced it.

The new 15c stamps and the perforated issue of 1862 were released with Sardinians in this period. Sardinians used in annexed areas such as Bologna, Firenze, Napoli, Palermo (Sicily) etc. are neither costly nor scarce. Apparently an immense supply of covers of that period has survived, so that only the most unusual combinations of stamps make expensive items.

Transition usages are a field of philatelic enjoyment in which anyone can do pioneer work in establishing the stages and the stamping events. This may not be "research" but it is much-welcomed systematizing and arrangement of knowledge thus far mostly scattered.

## Reorganize Club For Boys At Orphanage

With some interested outside help the Don Bosco Junior Stamp Club of the St. Joseph's Home For Boys in St. Louis, Mo. has been re-organized into a going concern. Dormant for three years the boys now have the assistance of Kenneth V. Lucas and Marian Fuch.

Chosen officers were president James Blevins, vice president Albert Harman, and Richard Ellis secretary. The youngsters depend almost 100 per cent on the assistance given to them with stamps and accessories from the general public.

## SCANNING SCANDINAVIA

Thorsten Ingeloff  
 Malmfortsgatan 11.  
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**SWEDEN.** Since last Spring several more or less contradictory but official news releases have predicted a set of stamps to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Electric Telegraph in Sweden. The first of such service was inaugurated with the opening of the Stockholm-Uppsala line on November 1, 1853.



The postal administration has now revealed the details of a set of three stamps to be issued November 2. However, the designs shown herewith, have hardly aroused the approval of the nation's collectors as works of philatelic art.

These designs are abstract in the extreme. Besides the wording and dates, there is a message in Morse code in a narrow border on three sides of the vignettes, the translation for which is given in the following description:

The 25 ore blue has "Telephones Suedois"; 40c olive-green, "Radio Suedois"; and 60c red-violet, "Telegraphes Suedois". All will be made in coil form, with the 25c having additional production in booklet form.

Manufacture will be by the Post Office Printing Works on unwatermarked paper, perforated 13 from engraved plates.

These stamps are the designs of two hitherto unknown artists, Pierre Olofsson and Karl-Axel Persson. Sven Ewert engraved the 40c and Arne Wallhorn the remaining two.

In Sweden the Telegraph and Post Office Departments are not combined as one operating unit. Incorporated in the Telegraph Department is the Telephone from the 1880's; and the Commercial Radio from 1910.

The Telephone is now, by all means, the most important with approximately 2 million telephones in a population of 7 million.

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**BRAZIL** — It has been announced that a set of five stamps will be issued sometime in 1954 in conjunction with the BRAPEX III exhibition, which is to be held in Sao Paulo. Further information regarding values colors and first day will be announced in the near future.

**CHILE** — Jose M. Galetovic of Santiago has informed us that two new sets of stamps have been announced by the Post Office Department. A two-value set is to be issued to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Ignacio Domeyco. Values and colors will be \$1 blue and \$5 brown, airmail. The second is to be a single stamp and will be in commemoration of the founding of the town of Ancud. Dates for these stamps have not as yet been announced.

**COLOMBIA** — The 11c value of the UPU set (Scott 585) has been overprinted in blue with the words "Correo" and "Rapido", reading vertically.

**CUBA** — In honor of the first International Juridical Congress, a three value set of stamps is to be issued. There will be a 3c regular postage stamp and 8c and 25c airmails.

**FRANCE** — In honor of the centenary of the arrival of the French in New Caledonia, a 13 franc bi-colored stamp has been issued. The stamp, in blue and green, shows a scene of the islands and also has a portrait of Admiral Despointes.

**GIBRALTAR** — On October 19, the new definitive set for this colony, with values from 1/2 pence to One Pound was issued. The set, comprising fourteen values, many of them bi-colored, incorporates a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II and various scenes of the colony.

**LEBANON** — A new eight value airmail set has been issued with all values of similar design. They are: 5p green; 10p claret; 15p orange; 20p blue-green; 25p blue; 35p brown; 50p dark blue and 100p brown.

**MONTERRAT** — The Crown Agents for the Colonies have announced that on October 15, the 1c, 2c and 3c values of the current set were issued with the portrait of Queen Elizabeth changed.

**PORTUGUESE GUINEA** — The Ministry of the Colonies of Portugal has announced that a ten value set of stamps was recently issued for this colony. The adhesives are a bi-colored and were printed by Courvoisier of Switzerland. All show various insects, and are \$05, \$10, \$30, \$70, \$100, \$200, \$300, \$500, and \$1000.

**POLAND** — A two value social welfare set has been issued by this country. An 80Gr., red stamp shows a nurse wearing a mask over her nose and mouth holding and feeding a baby. A 1.75Zt. green, pictures a nurse speaking with a mother while a baby is lying on a table for an examination.

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**BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER**

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**THE MARE'S NEST.** An English writer for a prominent U. S. stamp periodical, uses over 12 inches in a recent issue to lambast this column, calling one of my Chatters a "Mare's Nest". This follows as usual, a long series of appreciation to various correspondents, evidently catering to the type that like to see their names in print, which is not philatelic news.

He resents my statement that the new Queen issue of 15 values to the Pound for Falkland Island Dependencies is another needless issue of high values for which there is probably no postal need. He objects to my statement that these high values are issued chiefly to garner dollars and that continuation will eventually "Kill the goose that laid the golden eggs".

He states that inasmuch as I am a resident of the U. S., I am therefore not fully qualified to write about British Empire (Colonial) matters. He assumes that my theory is, that if Canada can get along with a top value of \$1 any British Colony can do likewise.

He neglected to state that Canada has special revenue stamps and cannot be compared in any way to many of the smaller colonies of the British Empire.

He assumes that I can read (Thanks) and if so, I only need examine the various high values of British Colonial stamps to find the words "Postage & Revenue". What a statement to one who has studied and dealt in British Empire Stamps for 30 years.

He states that this joint use of stamps is an economic measure. He does not say that the saving probably amounts to only a fraction of 1 percent of the amount that collectors pay for these unnecessary high value stamps.

Being a resident of England, he must therefore be fully qualified to discuss U. S. stamps and wonders how much money has been extracted from collector's pockets by the large number of stamps issued by the U. S.

He ignores the fact that they were mostly 3c stamps issued by one country as against the long sets issued by the 62 Crown Colonies alone, to which must be added those issued by the Dominions.

I presume that he has brains, and cannot understand why he selected my Chatter of June 15 to pick out remarks about the Falkland Island Dependencies. If he had been reading about his various correspondents, he would have learned that, for years, I have been advocating separate revenue stamps or having the high values eliminated from the catalogues with a foot note to explain their issuance for revenue purposes only.

I have also explained that these high values, used fiscally, are no longer postage stamps and that many are doctored and sold to collectors as used postage stamps. A postage stamp is really a receipt for services to be rendered and revenue use is not a service, but a tax.

I wonder why some of the stamps are issued if not to sell to collectors. The latest census for Tonga shows a population of 44,448 of whom 43,286 are Tongans who probably have little, if any, use for postage stamps, but the latest new set includes a 10/- and Pound stamp.

Tristan da Cunha is a dependency of St. Helena and had no need for any stamps until 1951, when the 12 stamps of St. Helena were overprinted for their use and now a complete new set of 14 values is being prepared. This island is about 24 miles in circumference. It is an extinct volcano and the small settlement on a comparatively level shelf occupies less than 5 percent of the total area. The population has been increasing, so that in 1948 the total was 264 of which 24 were non islanders.

I have been informed that most values of stamps are only available in St. Helena.

Why does Norfolk Islands with an area of less than 14 square miles and a 1947 population of less than 1000 require 18 different values of stamps. Surely not for postal needs, but it does bring in the dollars.

I can mention many more British Empire countries whose stamps are issued chiefly for dollars.

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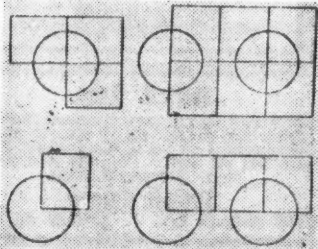
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## Danish Collectors Show Clerks How

Denmark's stamp collectors do not let the cancellation of the stamps on the covers they send through the post office rest with chance and the guessing of a postal employee. They provide a printed slip which is attached to the cover with a bit of gum — it is shown herewith:



The rectangles indicate stamps and the circles tell the postal clerk just how the postmark is to be applied to the stamps on the cover. This slip is then detached at the post office.

On its back is the legend "Frimærkerne bedes afstemt til Samlerbrug". According to P. Reuter-Lorenz of New York City, this translated, means, "Please Cancel Stamps For Collector's Use".

Such an idea would not be feasible in most United States post offices for with the bulk of the mail to be handled the clerks would not be able to give many such detailed attention with a hand postmarking device.

## Greensboro Club Plans One Day Exhibition

The O'Henry Philatelic Society of Greensboro, N. C., will stage its first annual stamp exhibition, containing approximately 60 frames, at the YWCA on November 14. Also participating will be the Greensboro Junior Stamp Club which will exhibit approximately 20 frames.

The society has a membership of 35 adult and 28 junior collectors. President of the Junior Group is James Bilisoly, Jr.; president of the Adult Group is Gary G. Flatow, vice president Sam Post, secretary Mrs. Helen Seabolt, treasurer, Jasper Seabolt.

## Germany Society Will Have Exhibition

On November 14 Chapter One of the Germany Philatelic Society will hold a public showing at the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York, from 2 to 6 p.m. Admission is free. Door prizes will be awarded during the afternoon. The showing will be of members' material, with the best exhibits being awarded prizes.

K. Alfred Geisser will display and discuss a specialized collection of the German Currency Reform issues of 1948 in the various zones, on November 17, at the regular meeting of Chapter One of the Germany Philatelic Society. The meeting will be at the Collectors Club.

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## OUCH!

(Under the title of "ARTISTS WANTED" the chain of Scripps-Howard Newspapers throughout the nation have all reproduced the following editorial).

Postmaster General Summerfield has ordered his artists to redesign the forthcoming 3-cent stamp honoring the trucking industry, because of charges that the truck pictured on it looks like a Reo, and it is supposed to be a composite of all makes.

The stamp ought to be re-designed, right enough, but not merely for that reason.

Like most of the other commemorative stamps the Post Office Department has issued during the last 20 years or so, this design is an artistic monstrosity.

There is a truck in the foreground, to be sure, and a big one. The driver of it is leaning out of the window and waving merrily at the photographer—pardon us, the artist—instead of watching where he is going. In the valley below there is a farm, with more outbuildings than a farmer would know what to do with, and a field with plowed furrows going straight down a slope, in direct conflict with the teachings of the Agriculture Department. In the dim distance there appears a composite of the skyline of midtown Manhattan, or possibly the kingdom of heaven, and a New England mill town on a busy day.

It has everything except Leopold Stokowski conducting an orchestra in the theme song of the American Trucking Association. But it isn't art, and it isn't attractive.

It and its dreadful predecessors the Government has issued suggests that the Post Office Department's "artists" are the same ones who illustrated the calendars that small-town banks and funeral parlors used to distribute to their patrons around 1910.

Probably these fellows have been on the Government payroll so long that they can't be fired, but surely some other work can be found for them. For instance, it is reported that the White House needs another coat of paint.

Realizing that their postage stamps go all over the world, other countries commission outstanding artists to design them. Even the most obscure principalities of Europe issue stamps that are beautiful, in good taste, and good advertisements for their place of origin.

Most of ours—the standard "Presidential Series" is a notable exception—would distress the art students in a second-rate high school.

The Postmaster General should not only send this latest design back where it came from. He should send the designers there, too.



Nov. 6-7—Pueblo Stamp Club, 101 S. Grand  
clation, El Paso, Texas, El Paso Stamp  
Club, hosts.

Nov. 7-8—Collectors Club of Grand Junction,  
Colo.

Nov. 11-17—Associated Stamp Clubs of the  
Chesapeake Area, Department of Com-  
merce Auditorium, Washington D. C.

Nov. 14—O'Henry Philatelic Society, YWCA,  
Greensboro, N. C.

Nov. 14—Germany Philatelic Society, Chap-  
ter I, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St.,  
New York City.

Nov. 14-15—Council of Northern California  
Philatelic Societies, Richelleu Hotel, San  
Francisco.

Nov. 14-15—Ravenswood Stamp Club, Fin-  
nish Hall, 4219 Lincoln Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 15—Hempstead Stamp Club, Ameri-  
can Legion Home, Hempstead, N. Y.

Nov. 19-21—FLOREX, Florida Federation  
of Stamp Clubs, Hotel Angelito, Orlando,  
Fla.

Nov. 21-22—CORNFEX, Corn Belt Phila-  
telic Society, Illinois Hotel, Bloomington,  
Ill.

Nov. 21-22—Suburban Collectors Club, Hin-  
dale Community House, Hinsdale, Ill.

Nov. 22-Dec. 16—Muskegon Stamp Club,  
Hackley Art Gallery, Muskegon, Mich.

Nov. 27-28—New Mexico Philatelic Asso-  
ciation, Pueblo, Colo.

Nov. 28-29—Rubber City Stamp Club, May-  
flower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.

Dec. 4-6—Chicago Philatelic Society, Flor-  
entine Room, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

Dec. 12—Convair Fort Worth Stamp and  
Coin Club, Convair Recreation Asso-  
ciation, Fort Worth, Texas.

## Lots Of Light On A Dark Specialty

Volume 19 of the "Billig's Philatelic Handbook" series is almost entirely devoted to the stamps, postal markings and other philatelic matters of the Japanese Occupation of various countries and colonies of European nations in southeast Asia.

It is a reproduction of the handbook, "Dai Nippon in South East Asia" by N. H. Hedeman and R. Boekema. Originally written in Dutch, the language of the authors, this work is now in English.

For the most part collectors have avoided most of these stamps like the plague chiefly because there was no reference to which they could turn to establish the genuineness of any such issues which they might have been offered, and because there was nothing to guide them to prepare an intelligent display in their albums.

There is also the matter of what any of the material is worth — this is not solved by the Hedeman-Boekema study for no prices are listed. The authors promise these at a later date when more facts are known.

However while the Messrs. Hedeman and Boekema do not claim 100 percent coverage of the field, the reader can feel that here one will find more on the subject than he will from any other source. Not only are the varieties and distinguishing marks of the stamps well illustrated, the text is factual in all respects.

Included also in the Billig Handbook are more fancy cancels of the United States, and a List of Austrian and Wurttemberg Post Offices That Belonged Temporarily to Bavaria.

Volume 19 has 208 pages bound between cloth covers and has a selling price of \$5 postpaid. Orders can be directed to Fritz Billig, 168-39 Highland Ave., Jamaica 32, N. Y.

## Plane Crash Mail Recovered

Eastern Airlines flight 627 to San Juan, Puerto Rico, crashed and burned at 12:56 a.m. October 19, 1953, shortly after taking off from N. Y. International Airport at Idlewild, Jamaica, N. Y.

A total of 271 pounds of mail in 13 sacks was aboard the Constellation on this regular run on FAM 29. Airmail from New York City and eastern states mailed on October 17 and 18, as well as in-transit mail from France, Spain, and APO's in Europe, was all for delivery in Puerto Rico. All was damaged by fire, some of it totally destroyed.

Salvaged letters are being forwarded to addressees, or senders when necessary because of partially burned envelopes, in official envelopes from the Jamaica, N. Y. post office. Mimeographed slips inscribed as follows are being enclosed: Damage Due to Air Mail-Interruption Near-NEW YORK, N. Y.-IDLEWILD AIRPORT-Oct 19 1953.



Kenneth M. Gierhart  
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Baltimore, Ohio

## Plate Number Singles.

No matter how old you get or how many things you think you know there is always a little something that pops up that you never gave a thought to. Never has the collecting of Plate number singles been a fad with any great number of precancel collectors, but there have been a few who have always dabbled in this type of material.

In sending some duplicates to a collector a few months ago I came across this thing in the condition angle of these singles. That you should leave on all the selvage at both sides of the stamp. Otherwise it is undesirable.

I know that I have seen a lot of singles with that little strip of selvage around the corner from the number pulled off. That is NOT the thing to do according to this collector and after you think it over he is right. All the original corner should be there. So if you save the things yourself or are saving for a friend keep all the selvage.

## New Forum Editor.

Ed Christ of Columbia, Mo. is the new editor for The Precancel Forum. The Forum is the official bulletin for the Precancel Stamp Society, which will sponsor a precancel edition November 30 in Linn's. A copy of the FORUM will be sent free to readers requesting same and writing to the Kelly Press, Columbia, Mo. A postcard will do. No return postage necessary.

## Hennan, Hoffman Win At Lisbon

Some of the best stamp collections in the United States, and the prizes they won at the International Philatelic Exhibition of 1953, held in Lisbon, Portugal, were returned to the U. S. by E. A. Kehr, stamp editor of the New York Herald-Tribune. Mr. Kehr was one of the judges of the exhibition.

The collections, valued at more than \$200,000 faced the strongest competition in recent philatelic shows. Dr. Clarence W. Hennan, Chicago surgeon, won two gold medals for collections of Central American and Caribbean stamps.

Mrs. Mike C. Hoffman, of 1095 Park Ave., New York City, won a silver-gilt medal for her collection of air mail rarities of the world.

## Meyer Monograph On 'Disinfected Mail'

One of the most thorough and readable essays on the subject of cleansing of the mail from suspected areas of possible contamination has been released as a monograph, "Historical Notes On Disinfected Mail" by K. F. Meyer.

It is a thorough piece of writing because Mr. Meyer has used all means at his disposal to bring to the reader's mind a clear picture — in this instance, illustrations of a nature most pertinent to the subject.

Persons interested in disinfected mail will have gathered much information from the articles which have appeared on the subject to date, but even so the Meyer exposition has something new for the researcher.

As early as the 14th century it was recognized that even though germs which caused the various plagues were not known, it was possible for persons going from one place to another, to carry this infection with them. To cleanse such persons various stations were set up at seaports and other important crossroads communities where the traveling was heavy, where the traveler must stay for a period under a quarantine.

Later as letters and other mail matter were taken from one part of the world to another they were given a disinfection treatment as they reached the specified places. It is the history of this process which Mr. Meyer presents in a most readable manner. Much of the text has the appeal of a stirring historical novel, which, abetted by the fine pictures holds the reader's interest to the end.

## Prospectus Ready For Women's Exhibition

The prospectus for the exhibition by "Women in Philately," the first show devoted to the work of women collectors only, is now ready. The exhibition will be held at the National Philatelic Museum in Philadelphia December 11 to January 9.

The classifications for the show are:

1. United States, including Confederates and Possessions.
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THE ABOVE SHOWS the bottom reverse side of the rare imperforate 4c National Parks issue shown on the front page. The darker marking on the left is brown tape which repaired the sheet where it was rumpled in printing. Gum is placed over this tape as in normal stamps.

### Jugoslav Poet Is Tuberculosis Victim

Jugoslavia's Branko Radicevich commemorative has been adapted for use in Trieste's B Zone by means of a simple red overprint, according to P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N.J.

The stamp, a 15 dinar gray, was placed on sale in Trieste on October 3. The name of the poet, together with the year of his birth (1893) and "1953" appear in ribbons across the top of the stamps, while the portrait of the gentle-faced Radicevich dominates the stamp.



Branko Radicevich was born in Srem Karlovce, a small village in Serbia. He is noted for his poems of youthful fervor and for the tragedy of his early death of tuberculosis when he was only 28. Like most intellectuals of his day who lived in what was then the Austrian Empire, he gravitated to Vienna where he died, but his body was later exhumed and returned to his birthplace.

The Yugoslav Government has erected a monument to him in the mountain-peak village of Strazilovo, near Radicevich's birthplace.

### Offers Help To Corral Toughies

The "Stamp Wholesaler" in an attempt to be of service to both collectors and the many dealers with which it is affiliated as advertising patrons in its columns will inaugurate a Want List Service.

Publisher Lucius Jackson asks that collectors who have tough numbers on their want lists which apparently do not exist in dealer's stocks, send these to him, and they will be printed in his magazine. There they will be made public, along with the sender's name and address, and should they be available the dealer will send both the selling price at which he has the item, and its condition.

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Israel is a rather popular country at the moment with its stamps and philatelic matter much in demand. The Kedmah Stamp Co., 1430 Plimpton Ave., New York 52, N.Y. specializes in this nation and has a free price list of various offers. If you will mention Linn's when you write the firm will include a perf gauge and bonus.

Just released in its 14th edition is the "Cover Guide" published by the Cover Exchange, P.O. Box 733, Scranton, Pa. It is made available to those who join up with the group, an added inducement being the giving of three past first day covers, or five of the next coming up. The Cover Guide is further described in an ad in the October 26 Linn's.

The Eberle Stamp Exchange (formerly Witmer Eberle & Co.), 1845 Zarker St., Harrisburg, Pa. will have all the stamps, seals, covers and other philatelic material which it carried under the old name. Interested readers can also get a copy of the "Stamp Eberle-Torials" the house organ which has various offers of a general nature, plus accessories.

A dealer who has specialized in United States issues for many years is Gustave H. Fabian, 13 Perry St., Hempstead, N.Y. His sizeable stock contains 19th and 20th century beginning with the 1847's, mint and used, and in singles blocks and plate blocks. He has offers from this stock in an ad on page 12 of the October 19 Linn's.

A rather comprehensive offering of United States stamps was made in the October 19 edition of Linn's by Gustave Fabian, 13 Perry St., Hempstead, N. Y. Included were mint and used, singles, blocks and plate blocks. The percentage figure with each heading as (+25 percent) indicates the percentage above the quoted price to be paid for very fine or better copies.

Jacob Habib, 1407 Sheridan Ave., New York 56, N. Y. advises that he will have booth No. 10 at the forthcoming ASDA National Postage Stamp Show in New York. He will have 1,000,000 stamps at 2c each, 20,000 first day covers, and a full supply of the many European Stamp Catalogs for which he is a U. S. Agent. He states that he will have something for all.

A very fine piece of work is the new 1954 price list and catalog of United States stamps of the Colonial Stamp Shop, Saugerties, N.Y. It is sent for 25c which sum is deductible from the first order. This book has a fine grade of enameled stock paper which makes

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the text easy to read and the illustrations super-clear. Listings start with the 1847's.

With the set of eight pages the Lindner Company, 211 E. Clinton Ave., Bergenfield, N. J. has produced to hold the Coronation issues, an improvement is inaugurated. These are the "hingeless" albums which hold the stamps in plastic pouches. These containers now have a plastic back which prevents the mint stamp from adhering to the page.

Tribune Stamp Company, P. O. Box 68, Larchmont, N. Y., advises that there had been some errors in pricing in their ad for some of the new Queen Elizabeth Stamps. In this issue you will find the corrected prices for those items which had been priced incorrectly.

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ly Stamp News, No. 70; Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News No. 74; Minkus Publications, Inc., No. 46-47; Vahan Mozan, Inc., No. 33; New York Journal-American, No. 66; John W. Nicklin, No. 39; Paramount Philatelic Products, No. 30; Scandinavian Airlines System, Inc., No. 9; Scott Publications, Inc., No. 60-61; Sellinger, Martin No. 11-12; Murray Simnock, No. 19; Stanley Gibbons, Inc., No. 54-55; The Stamp Mart, No. 28A; The Washington Press, No. 20-21-22-23; Van Dahl Publications, Inc., No. 76; Frank Warner, No. 5; H. R. Wilk, No. 16; and Yale Stamp Company, No. 67.

The following organizations will have Lounges at the Show:— Aero-Philatelists, Inc.; American Air Mail Society; American Philatelic Society; American Stamp Dealers' Association, Inc.; Bronx County Stamp Club; Bureau Issues Association; Collectors Club; France and Colonies Group; Metropolitan Air Mail Cover Club; National Philatelic Museum; Society of Israel Philatelists; Society Philatelic Americans; Stamps for the Wounded; United States Envelope Society and United Postal Stationery Society; United Nations; and Womens International Stamp Club.

The 5th A.S.D.A. National Postage Stamp Show will be the climax to National Stamp Collecting Week, which begins November 16th, and ends November 22nd. A special pamphlet has been prepared by the A.S.D.A. on "Planning your Club's Program for National Stamp Collecting Week". These may be obtained free of charge by stamp clubs and groups interested in observing the "Week". Inquiries should be addressed to Peter G. Keller at 65 Nassau Street, New York 38, N. Y.

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